THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) and (b) Medical check-ups including Chest X-ray' blood and urine tests apart from general medical examination, have been introduced recently in Tihar Jail by Delhi Administration.

(c) and (d) 'Jail' is a State subject. No instructions have been issued to the State Government in this regard.

Delay in implementation of Central projects in Bihar

*212. SHRI K. MOHANAN:
SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM:

Will the Minister of PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that implementation of all the 25 Central projects in Bihar has been delayed by one to five years due to the non-supply of information by the Government of that State;

(b) if so, what are the details of these projects including escalation cost in each case;

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative what are the reasons for the inordinate delay in implementation of those projects;

(d) what is the present state of these projects; and

(e) what are the details of Government's plans to complete these projects?

THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The reasons for delay of the projects include the problems concerning acquisition of land, critical equipment and material supplied by the suppliers (imported as well as indigenous), finalisation of detailed engineering drawings, lack of infrastructural facilities and services, law and order disturbances, mis-matching progress of vendors, suppliers, change in scope inadequate allocation of funds inefficient working of contractors, labour problems, etc.

(d) Details are given in the statement attached. (*See* Appendix CXXXIX Annexure No. 53).

(e) The following steps are being taken to expedite the implementation of these projects:

(i) Preparation of realistic project implementation plans.

(ii) Effective monitoring through Monthly Flash Report and Quarterly Status Report Monitoring System.

(iii) Constant pressure on project authorities for expeditious completion.

(iv) Inter-Ministerial coordination and inter-action.

(v) Close follow-up by concerned Ministries and project authorities with State Governments, equipment suppliers, Consultants and other concerned agencies to minimise delays.

Rate of issue of wheat to flour mills

213. SHRI GHULAM RASOOL MATTO: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) the procurement rate of wheat and the issue rate of wheat to flour mills by the Food Corporation of India in December, 1985; and

(b) the procurement rate of wheat and the issue rate of wheat to flour mills by the Food Corporation of India as on 1st February and 1st April, 1986?